

Kids and the Environment...

Protect, Educate, and Reward

EPA strives to educate our children about their environment, reward their environmental achievements and address environmental health issues that directly impact children's health.

President's Environmental Youth Award (PEYA)

The President's Environmental Youth Award program encourages individuals, schools, public interest groups and other youth organizations to promote environmental awareness and community involvement. The program is open to all students K-12.

Protecting Our Children

EPA is dedicated to children's health initiatives. Outreach programs have been developed to educate the public on environmental health problems that affect kids—like asthma. Literature, hot lines and Web sites provide helpful information for parents on many environmental health issues.

A Success Story...

Kentucky Students Save Mountain

Students at Rosenwald-Dunbar Elementary in Nicholasville, Kentucky initiated an inquiry project on the possible mountain-top removal of Black Mountain, Kentucky's highest peak. The students gathered information through field studies, interviewing residents, visiting strip-mining sites and investigating how they affect waterways, and learning about the unique and endangered plant and wildlife on the mountain. Their hard work paid off when the State reached an agreement with the coal company to never again mine the peak of Black Mountain.

Education: Tools for Schools

EPA produces environmental education materials designed to supplement school programs. Our kids are our environmental future, and education is vital to ensuring that our natural resources are conserved and preserved. In 1999, nearly 3,000 educational books were distributed throughout the region.

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